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File: USPT

Apr 6, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5893080  
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5893080 A

TITLE: Disbursement system and method

DATE-ISSUED: April 6, 1999

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APPL-NO: 08/ 506579 [PALM]  
DATE FILED: July 25, 1995

INT-CL: [06] G06 F 17/60

US-CL-ISSUED: 705/40; 235/379, 340/825.3, 340/825.35, 705/35, 705/39  
US-CL-CURRENT: 705/40; 235/379, 340/541, 705/35, 705/39

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 395/230, 395/233, 395/234, 395/240, 705/30, 705/34, 705/33, 705/40, 705/410, 705/1, 705/35, 705/39, 221/9, 235/375, 235/379, 235/381, 340/825.3, 340/825.35

## PRIOR-ART-DISCLOSED:

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

PAT-NO	ISSUE-DATE	PATENTEE-NAME	US-CL
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4385285</u>	May 1983	Horst et al.	382/119
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4484307</u>	November 1984	Quatse et al.	705/410
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5121945</u>	June 1992	Thomson et al.	283/58
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5193055</u>	March 1993	Brown et al.	705/33
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5283829</u>	February 1994	Anderson	380/24
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5383113</u>	January 1995	Kight et al.	395/240
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5394469</u>	February 1995	Nagel et al.	380/4
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5465206</u>	November 1995	Hilt et al.	395/240
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<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5570465</u>	October 1996	Tsakanikas	395/114
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<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5745886</u>	April 1998	Rosen	705/39
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<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5799087</u>	August 1998	Rosen	380/24

ART-UNIT: 271

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Cosimano; Edward R.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Hayes, Soloway, Hennessey, Grossman & Hage, P.C.

ABSTRACT:

A computerized payment disbursement system and method are provided. One embodiment of the method of the present invention includes storing in a computer database user-defined payment disbursement criteria associated with a plurality of types of disbursement transactions. At least one payment disbursement request corresponding to one of the plurality of types is received. At least one payment disbursement is generated based upon the criteria and the request by automatically determining which of the plurality of types corresponds to the request and automatically selecting from the storage means the disbursement criteria associated with that disbursement type.

25 Claims, 2 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Sep 17, 2002

US-PAT-NO: **6453300**

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6453300 B2

TITLE: Personalized greeting card with electronic storage media and method of personalizing same

DATE-ISSUED: September 17, 2002

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APPL-NO: 09/ 377108 [PALM]

DATE FILED: August 19, 1999

**PARENT-CASE:**

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS This application hereby claims priority on U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/098,570 filed Aug. 31, 1998, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. This application is related to allowed U.S. application Ser. No. 08/988,063 filed Dec. 10, 1997 (now U.S. Pat. No. 5,954,194), the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

INT-CL: [07] G06 F 17/60

US-CL-ISSUED: 705/26; 700/237

US-CL-CURRENT: 705/26; 700/237

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 700/233, 700/234, 700/235, 700/237, 705/26, 705/27, 705/22, 705/54, 705/77

**PRIOR-ART-DISCLOSED:****U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

PAT-NO	ISSUE DATE	PATENTEE-NAME	US-CL
<u>4152865</u>	May 1979	Ikeda	
<u>4203516</u>	May 1980	Stonoga et al.	
<u>4433780</u>	February 1984	Ellis	
<u>5244085</u>	September 1993	Lammerant et al.	
<u>5319705</u>	June 1994	Halter et al.	380/4
<u>5400319</u>	March 1995	Fite et al.	369/275.5
<u>5513117</u>	April 1996	Small	235/381 X
<u>5515968</u>	May 1996	Taniyama	
<u>5544741</u>	August 1996	Fantone et al.	
<u>5588526</u>	December 1996	Fantone et al.	
<u>5609249</u>	March 1997	Cheng	
<u>5662218</u>	September 1997	Ladwig	
<u>5694469</u>	December 1997	Lerue	380/4
<u>5695053</u>	December 1997	Koh et al.	
<u>5703951</u>	December 1997	Dolphin	380/25
<u>5738221</u>	April 1998	Van Witt et al.	
<u>5799782</u>	September 1998	Gelardi	
<u>5823344</u>	October 1998	Fantone et al.	
<u>5915734</u>	June 1999	Minehart	283/117
<u>5954194</u>	September 1999	Simpson	206/46
<u>6047265</u>	April 2000	Sugimori	705/26

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FOREIGN-PAT-NO	PUBN-DATE	COUNTRY	US-CL
2279295	January 1995	GB	
2340447	February 2000	GB	

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Jerry Lansky, "Without APS, Photo Life Goes on Via Internet", Photographic Trade News, p. 22, Aug. 1996.

ART-UNIT: 2167

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Bartuska; F. J.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Whiteford Taylor & Preston Stone; Gregory M.

#### ABSTRACT:

Method and system for enabling a first person to produce a customized gift for a second person, including: providing a computer-readable storage medium having a control program and non-customized information stored thereon; obtaining data from the first person which relates to the second person; using the data to generate a customization code; providing the gift and the customization code to the second person; causing the control program to request the customization code from the

second person; and using the customization code to select information from the non-customized information to provide a customized display to the second person. The gift is preferably purchased and customized through an Internet website or other electronic system.

30 Claims, 10 Drawing figures

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L1: Entry 2 of 3

File: USPT

Sep 28, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5960412

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5960412 A

TITLE: Method and apparatus for communicating with a card distribution center for management, selection, and delivery of social expression cards

DATE-ISSUED: September 28, 1999

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APPL-NO: 08/ 709573 [PALM]

DATE FILED: September 6, 1996

## PARENT-CASE:

This application is a continuation of application Ser. No. 08/239,251 filed May 6, 1994 which application is now issued on Sep. 10, 1996, U.S. Pat. No. 5,555,496.

INT-CL: [06] G06 F 17/60, G06 F 17/00, G06 F 7/00

US-CL-ISSUED: 705/27; 705/26, 364/479.03, 364/479.05

US-CL-CURRENT: 705/27; 700/233, 700/235, 705/26

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 705/1, 705/14, 705/26, 705/27, 235/383, 395/200.47, 395/200.49, 707/104, 364/468.24, 364/479.01, 364/479.03, 364/479.04, 364/479.05

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<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4616327</u>	October 1986	Rosewarne et al.	345/435
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4712174</u>	December 1987	Minkler, II	364/231
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4845634</u>	July 1989	Vitek et al.	364/468.03
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4951203</u>	August 1990	Halamka	707/500
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4965727</u>	October 1990	Halamka	707/500
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4992940</u>	February 1991	Dworkin	705/26
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5029099</u>	July 1991	Goodman	364/479.03
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<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5235519</u>	August 1993	Miura	364/479.03
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5426594</u>	June 1995	Wright et al.	395/200.36
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<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5555496</u>	September 1996	Tackbary et al.	705/27
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5600563</u>	February 1997	Cannon et al.	364/468.24

ART-UNIT: 271

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Tkacs; Stephen R.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Welsh & Katz, Ltd.

ABSTRACT:

A system for communicating with a card distribution center for selecting, ordering, and sending social expression cards using a personal computer. The user can enter names and addresses of card recipients into the system wherein the information is maintained in a database. The system displays digitized images of the cards on a display screen which are retrieved from a card database. From the cards displayed, the user can select cards for designated recipients and enter personalized messages and a digitized signature. The user may then send the order to a card distribution center, which processes the order, retrieves and prints the selected card images, including any user messages or user signature, and mails the cards to designated recipients or customers. The system maintains a database of all recipients, addresses, associated occasions and dates, card preferences, relationships and order history.

85 Claims, 12 Drawing figures

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L2: Entry 1 of 1

File: USPT

Sep 21, 1999

US-PAT-NO: 5954194  
DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5954194 A

TITLE: Gemstone gift card with video or audio device carrier

DATE-ISSUED: September 21, 1999

## INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 08/ 988063 [PALM]  
DATE FILED: December 10, 1997

INT-CL: [06] B65 D 85/57

US-CL-ISSUED: 206/46; 206/308.1, 206/310, 206/493  
US-CL-CURRENT: 206/96; 206/308.1, 206/310, 206/493

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 206/308.1, 206/310, 206/493

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<input type="checkbox"/> <u>5738221</u>	April 1998	Van Witt et al.	206/768

ART-UNIT: 376

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Sewell; Paul T.

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Nguyen; Trinh

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Sixbey, Friedman, Leedom & Ferguson Presta; Frank P. Presta; Joseph S.

ABSTRACT:

A card device including a front card portion and a back card portion hinged together in a manner which enables the card to be opened and closed. The back card portion includes spaced front, rear and side panels which define an interior space therebetween. The card further includes a tape cartridge, such as a VHS video or audio cassette tape, having a drive gear defining an open recess in the tape cartridge, and a gift carrier device including a gift carrier portion containing a gift item, such as a gemstone. The gift carrier device and the tape cartridge are positioned in nested relation within the interior space of the back card portion such that the gift carrier portion is received within the open recess in the tape cartridge. An alternative embodiment uses a compact disk case as the card and a recess in the disk carrier for receiving the gift item.

5 Claims, 12 Drawing figures

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L1: Entry 3 of 3

File: USPT

Mar 29, 1994

US-PAT-NO: 5299295

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5299295 A

TITLE: Method and apparatus for electronically viewing, printing, and registering checks

DATE-ISSUED: March 29, 1994

**INVENTOR-INFORMATION:**

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APPL-NO: 07/ 667570 [PALM]

DATE FILED: March 12, 1991

INT-CL: [05] G06F 15/00

US-CL-ISSUED: 395/111; 395/117

US-CL-CURRENT: 358/1\_12; 358/1\_18

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 395/101, 395/117, 395/111, 364/406, 364/408, 364/705.02, 400/62, 400/63, 400/279

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PAT-NO	ISSUE DATE	PATENTEE-NAME	US-CL
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<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4053735</u>	October 1977	Foudos	395/101
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4134537</u>	January 1979	Glaser	395/101
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4222109</u>	September 1980	Siwula	395/101
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<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4513393</u>	April 1985	Edlund et al.	395/101
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>4623965</u>	November 1986	Wing	395/101

ART-UNIT: 237

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Evans; Arthur G.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Townsend and Townsend, Khourie and Crew

ABSTRACT:

An electronic calculator for viewing, printing, and registering checks includes a base member for storing a plurality of checks, a data entry assembly for entering alpha-numeric data into the checkbook, a display screen for visually displaying the entered data. The electronic checkbook also includes a printing assembly having a mobile print head for printing check information on the face of an individual check. A check feed mechanism feeds individual checks to be printed past the print means and operates in conjunction with the print means so that, as each individual check is fed past the print means, the print means concomitantly prints data on the face of the check. A microprocessor electrically communicates with the data entry assembly, the printing assembly, and the check feed mechanism to process the entered data and to cooperatively drive the print head and the check feed mechanism to produce alpha-numeric printed matter on the face of the check.

21 Claims, 7 Drawing figures